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PATENT

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Applicant: John S. FOX) Confirmation No.: 6732
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(SECOND) AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §116

Box Amendment After Final (No Fee) VIA FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's advisory facsimile message of February 6, 2006, directed to the undersigned, please enter this (second) amendment under Rule 116 further amending the above identified patent application by cancelling claims indicated as unallowable as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 10 and 116-122.

A copy of the remaining claims -- categorized to BOTH Applicant's amendments under Rule 116 -- is attached.

It is suggested that the Examiner may wish to consider the claims in accordance with the numbers that such claims would likely assume if remaining claims 1-9, 11-17, 103, 104, 106-115, and 123-136 -- indicated allowable -- were so allowed. The following chart shows both the present numbering of the present claims, and the numbering that these present claims might logically assume if all were allowed.